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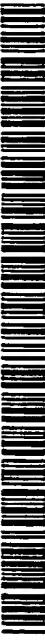
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(57) Abstract: The invention discloses human secreted polypeptides that circulate at an increased level in the plasma of patients with cardiovascular disorders. The invention also provides methods of using compositions including the polypeptides, polynucleotides encoding them, and antibodies specific for these polypeptides, for diagnosis, prognosis, and for drug development.